MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Government is aware of the mosquito hazard in the urban areas. In almost all the major cities the mosquito breeding occurs in stored water. In addition, breeding takes place in wells also. Rapid urbanisation without adequate facilities for sanitation, drainage, proper storage of water and sewage disposal in another contributory factor.

The control strategy followed in the urban areas comprises of assisting the local self-government institutions in achieving source reducation t hrough anti-larval meausres.

Duty performed by Cabinmen at Tirunnavaya

241. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cabinmen at Tirunnavaya are on 12 hours roster, while all the Cabinmen between Calicut and Sharanat are on 8 hours shift; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Cabinmen at Tirunnvaya are at present rostered for 12 hours shift based on assessment of their workload through a job analyis.

Issue of 'No Objection certificate' for construction of buildings near Airports by National Airport Authority

242. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of cases are pending with the National Airport Authority awaiting NOCs for construction of houses/buildings near the various airports in the country;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to expedite the cases;

(c) what are the reasons for delay in issue of NOCs to the owners/builders; and

(d) whether there is a Committee which scrutinize these cases and, if so, what is the composition of the committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) Yes, Sir. A Committee headed by a Deputy Director of the Planning Directorate with representatives from the Communication and Aerodrome disciplines examines the cases at the Headquarters level. A similar Committee headed by Director of Aerodromes in the Regions with representives from Communication and Aerodrome disciplines and a representative from the International Airports Authority of India examines the cases at the regional level.

Cargo handled by foreign vessels

243. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what has been percentage of our export-import cargo carried by foreign vessels during the Fifth and Sixth Five Year Plan and what is it likely to be by the end of the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) what steps Government propose to take to do away with this dependence on foreign cargo vessels; and

(c) what is the percentage of private and public secor shipping companies regarding carrying of cargo and which sector is performing better?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The percentage of our import-export cargo carried by foreign vessels during the 5th and 6th Five Year Plan is given in the attached statement. (*See* below) The carriage of cargo by foreign vessels in the above trade may continue to be approximately 60 per cent by the end of 7th Five Year Plan.

(b) The following measures have been taken to reduce dependence on foreign vessels.

(i) With a view to ensuring greater share of cargo for Indian vessels India has entered into bilateral shipping agreements which provide for parity in cargo liftings and freight earnings;

(ii) There are standing instructions to Public Sector Undertakings/Government Departments to negotiate as far as possible, C&F exports and FOB imports. These are designed to maximise cargo availability to Indian Lines.

(iii) Share of Indian Shipping Lines in the carriage of Iron Ore exported by MMTC has been brought up through successful commercial negotiations.

(iv) The use of foreign flag vessels in the oil trade has been brought down by arranging acquisition of suitable tankers for Indian Shipping Companies.

(v) With a view to encourage use of Indian vessels it has been decided that:

(a) the freight paid shall not be debited to the face value of import licence if the ocean freight is paid in non-convertible rupees in India and the goods are carried on Indian vessels; and

(b) the exporters will be given replenishment licence on exports in question at the rate of 11 per cent if the goods are exported on Indian vessels as against the normal rate of 10 per cent.

(c) In the overall trade of India, the share of public sector shipping companies has been approximately 30 per cent while that of private companies was approximately 8 per cent during 1981—1983. In container transportation, the public sector (Shipping Corporation of India) share of lifting among Indian lines is 90 per cent against private sector share of 10 per cent. Thus the public sector has performed better

Statement

The Percentage of import export cargo carried by foreign vessels from 1974-75 *to* 1984-85

year	Percentage of cargo carried by Foreign vessels.
1974-75	71·8
1975-76	65·1
1976-77	58.3
1977-78	61.2
1978-79	63.3
1979-80	66.6
1980-81	67·76
1981-82	68·6
1982-83	58·5
1983-84	59·1
1984-85	62·9

Unapproved courses conducted in Delhi University

244. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in recent weeks some colleges of the Delhi University started some courses which were not duly approved;

(b) if so, what are the details of the courses so started;

(c) whether any enquiry has been made into the matter; and

(d) the steps, if any, that are being taken to regularise those courses if they are of benefit to the students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF